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The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1-17. (Canceled).

18. (New) A method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor, comprising steps of: providing a cylindrical portion, first and second rotor arms that are connected to the cylindrical portion, and a bail;

attaching the bail to front ends of the first and second rotor arms;

providing a first cover and attaching the first cover to the front end the first rotor arm, where the bail is attached;

providing a plurality of second covers each having a mass adjustment portion formed thereon such that a difference in weight between any two of the plurality of second covers is less than 1g, the mass adjustment portion of each of the plurality of second covers differing in shape;

attaching one of the plurality of second covers to the front end of the second rotor arm, where the bail is attached.

19. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 18, wherein

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm includes at least one perforating through hole.

20. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 19, wherein

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm also has a chamfer portion formed around the through hole.

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21. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 18, wherein

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm includes at least one depression.

22. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 21, wherein

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm also has a chamfer portion formed around the depression.

23. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 19, wherein

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm includes at least three perforating through holes.

24. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 23, wherein

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm also has a chamfer portion formed around the through holes.

25. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 18, wherein

said second rotor arm has an aperture formed thereon, and

the mass adjustment portion of the second cover attached to the second rotor arm includes at least one through hole perforating the second cover, the through hole exposing a portion of the aperture.

25. (New) The method of manufacturing a spinning reel rotor as set forth in claim 18, wherein

the difference in weight between any two of the plurality of second covers is less than 0.5g.